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Procurement Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee
on
Foreign Language Publications

Minutes of Fourteenth Meeting, 22 January 1957

Members:

ACSI - Mr. Richard W. Bauer
NSA - 
ONI - Cmdr. Hayes A. Dorr
USIA - Miss Lavonne McClellan
CIA - 

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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 1035 hours and distributed draft copies of the Fourth Annual Report of the Procurement Subcommittee for review and comment.

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2. Draft of Fourth Annual Report

Members of the Procurement Subcommittee are to report by Friday, 25 January 1957 their approval of the draft of the Annula Report and/or any changes proposed. It was suggested by the ACSI representative that the Procurement Subcommittee meet once every month. This was approved and adopted. Copies of Section 943, Chapter 900, supplement to Volume 4 of the Foreign Service Manual will be obtained and made available to members of the Subcommittee.

3. U.S. Customs and Domestic Bookdealers

The NSA representative detailed a problem facing U.S. bookdealers who import publications issued in Soviet Orbit areas. The U.S. Customs office detains such mail, pending a screening to determine whether it contains propaganda derogatory to the U.S. Many such bookdealers report that because of this situation, they are unable to maintain a current stock of materials or service specific orders on time. NSA utilizes such bookdealers and requested any method whereby its orders and book selections might circumvent such detention and subsequent screening. Apart from using postal drops cleared with Customs, it was suggested by the Chairman that the matter be brought to the attention of the Customs authorities in New York.

4. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Procurement Subcommittee will be held on Tuesday, 19 February 1957, at 1030 hours in the Conference Room, 350 26th Street, N.W.

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